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∑ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-25
☐ The drawings filed on are acceptable.
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□ Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL APPLICATION, PTO-152, which discloses that the oath or declaration is deficient. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION IS REQUIRED.
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including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948, attached hereto or to Paper No
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Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the reverse side of the drawings. The drawings should be filed as a separate paper with a transmittal lettter addressed to the Official Draftsperson.
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☐ Notice of References Cited, PTO-892
☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948
☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application, PTO-152
☐ Interview Summary, PTO-413  ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
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Information Disclosure Statement

1. The information disclosure statement submitted on October 9, 1998 was filed after the

mailing date of the allowance on July 20, 1998. The submission is in compliance with the

provisions of 37 CFR 1.97. Accordingly, the petition is granted and the information disclosure

statement is being partially considered by the examiner.

2. Other documents submitted by the applicant (PTO 1449) were not considered because

these documents already cited by the examiner (PTO 892).

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner

should be directed to Shahid Alam whose telephone number is (703) 305-2358.

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